

THE PUBLIC FORUM

WANTS STEDMAN.—In reply to

Mr. J. Lipsitz in the March 2 issue of The Day Book, if union-men want to vote for some one for mayor that will look after the workingman's interest let them all vote for Seymour Stedman, the socialist candidate for mayor. He is pledged to fight for the rights of the working people.—W. R. D. Erry, 3342 N. Halsted st.

HEARST AND SULLIVAN.—I was very much interested when I read in The Day Book of March 3 the comment of Mr. Geo. E. Thomas on the "unholy alliance" between Roger C. Sullivan and William Randolph Hearst. In the light of current political events, there is scarcely a doubt that Sullivan and Hearst are in an alliance. They have succeeded in putting Harrison away, for the time being, at least; and that they now intend to "get" President Wilson and Gov. Dunne there is no doubt in my mind. But that is not all they are after by a long sight. Every wage-earner, and particularly every union wage-earner knows Hearst's attitude toward union labor.

Every union wage-earner in Chicago also knows that the big industrial enterprises, such as the gas and electric lighting trusts, are employers of scab labor and they are controlled by Roger Sullivan and his industro-politico henchmen.

What chance, then, would union labor have if Roger Sullivan and William Randolph Hearst controlled the city hall?

It's all very well to say that Mr. Sweitzer, if elected mayor, would boss the job, but we all know better. Sweitzer is Sullivan's creature, and who will dare say that the creature is greater than the creator, particularly within the domain of politics?

With Hearst and Sullivan it's a case of "business" first and "pleasure" afterward. Hearst and Sullivan are millionaires, and, true to their

caste, they want more millions. They hunger for the power that money gives them, and they have agreed among themselves that their mutual interests will be better subserved by their pulling together in the future than by pulling in opposite directions, as they have been doing in the past. In other words, they believe a combination of their interests would be a good thing for them, as it would place them in a stronger strategic position, while at the same time they would have an advantage over union labor which they do not now possess.

These are things union labor should bear in mind, and those who earn their bread by the sweat of their brow should govern themselves accordingly.—Fred W. Higgins.

CHURCH AND CREED.—The Day Book does not believe in religious persecution. It is fair to both Catholics and Protestants. Its editor can find no harm in the creed and dogma of the church as far as regards our welfare in this and the supposed next world.

In the articles describing the House of Good Shepherd I did not expect a report detrimental to that institution. The church has the means to fit up its institutions, etc., in a clean, sanitary manner.

One thing has been omitted in articles relating to religion in The Day Book and that is, the spiritual training that the adherents of the Universal church receive. I am considered one of them at my birthplace and know what it is. The doctrines of the church are unscientific, as example, the earth was created from nothing in seven days, the immaculate conception. Progress and our welfare is due to the advance of science. The church has been opposed to this as the cases of Giordano, Bruno and Galileo show. The most religious nations are the least advanced.

One doctrine or belief which is untrue is that of the infallibility of a man elected by men, called the pope,